



**Right of Descent
Abraham Morrill
1638**

2005-2006

CPT Paul E. Morrill
Captain Commanding



368th Anniversary

June 5, 2006

Ancient & Honorable Artillery Company
of Massachusetts

Boston Park Plaza Hotel
Boston, Massachusetts



Captain's Letter

For 368 continuous years, the first Monday in June has held a special significance to the officers and members of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Massachusetts, the third oldest military organization in the world. The June Day ceremonies, which include a wreath laying at Captain Commanding Robert Keayne's grave site, the Drum Head Election on the Boston Common, and this Anniversary banquet are of great importance to our Company because each year it symbolizes both the end of one command year and a rebirth with a new Captain and staff.

Reflecting on the past year, I feel honored to have been given the opportunity to serve in such a prominent position in the Company. As a Right of Descent member, the Ancients have long played an extremely important role in my life and I will always cherish the memories that I have accumulated this year with the many fine men who make up our Grand Old Company.

Since 1638, this Company has played a vital role in the City of Boston and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts by participating in many traditional events throughout the year, such as the 4th of July parade, the Veteran's Day ceremonies, and our own President's Day Luncheon. On our Fall Field Day Tour of Duty, 56 members and guests embarked on an extraordinary tour with stops in Livingston, Zambia, the Game Reserves of Mala Mala, and Cape Town, South Africa. The FFDTD Banquet at the world renowned Table Bay Hotel capped off a memorable trip when guest speaker, Major General Roy Andersen, JCD Chief Defense Reserves, South African National Defense Force, skillfully pronounced a newfound fraternal bond between the United States and South Africa.

In May, I was proud to lead a contingent of 250 Ancients and guests to Rome, Italy to celebrate the 500th Anniversary of the Swiss Guard at the Vatican. The week long historically significant trip displayed all that is great about the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company, as we participated in the ceremonial swearing in of the Swiss Guard on St Peter's Square, a Papal mass in the Basilica and a wreath laying service on the grounds of Italy's Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. For all those who attended, the memories will last a lifetime.

As my year as your Captain Commanding comes to a close, I am awed by the amount of hard work and attention to detail that is required to have a successful Ancients year. I cannot begin to express my deep level of gratitude to my officers, staff, sergeants, chaplains, committee members, friends, and family for their diligence and commitment to the Company and to me.

Thank you

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Captain Commanding
CAPTAIN PAUL E. MORRILL
297th Commander

Richard O. Wightman, Jr., MG, USA

Major General Richard O. Wightman, Jr., serves as the Deputy Commander of the Joint Warfighting Center/Deputy Joint Force Trainer (J-7), U.S. Joint Forces Command, Suffolk, VA. He assumed his current assignment on 1 Feb 2004.

An Army "brat," Major General Wightman was born in Waltham, Massachusetts. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in History from Framingham State College and a Masters degree in Military Art and Science from the US Army Command and General Staff College. He is a graduate of the Engineer Officer Advanced Course, the Army Command and General Staff College and the Army War College.

Major General Wightman enlisted Airborne Infantry in June 1968. After completing Basic Training at Fort Jackson, Advanced Infantry Training at Fort Polk, and Officer Candidate School at Fort Belvoir, he was commissioned an Engineer Second Lieutenant in August 1969. Major General Wightman served as a platoon leader and Asst S-3 in the 18th Engineer Battalion (BN) at Fort Devens, Massachusetts before going to Vietnam. He served in command and staff positions in the 48th Transportation Group in Binh Thuy and the 91st Combat Service Support BN in Can Tho Vietnam before leaving active duty in July 1972.

Major General Wightman joined the 101st Engineer BN of the 26th Yankee Division (Massachusetts Army National Guard) in September 1974. He was subsequently selected to represent the Army Guard on a 2-year Reserve Compensation Systems Study Group in OSD at the Pentagon. After completing this active duty assignment, he transferred to the USAR and became the Executive Officer, 1st BN, US Army Engineer Officer Candidate School Brigade, Fort Belvoir, Virginia.

In civilian life, Major General Wightman served as the Senior Military Analyst in the Joint and Army Doctrine Directorate of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Doctrine, HQs TRADOC, Ft. Monroe, VA. Earlier assignments include: Chief, Concepts and Analysis Division, Command and General Staff College (CGSC); Chief, Studies and Analysis Division, Nuclear Chemical Directorate in the Combined Arms Combat Development Activity (CACDA) at Ft. Leavenworth, KS; and Chief, Emergency Management Programs, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in Kansas City, MO.

Major General Wightman's awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Bronze Star with V Device, the Purple Heart, the Meritorious Service Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, the Joint Service Commendation Medal, the Army Commendation Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, and the Army Achievement Medal, among others.

Major General Wightman is married to Regina A. Phelan of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. They have three children; Richie, Veronica, and Chelsea. Major General Wightman also has grown children, twin daughters, Allison and Cassandra.



JUNE DAY REGULAR TOASTS

First Regular Toast
THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Second Regular Toast
HER MAJESTY, THE QUEEN OF ENGLAND

Third Regular Toast
ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES

Fourth Regular Toast
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Fifth Regular Toast
CITY OF BOSTON

Sixth Regular Toast
THE CITY OF CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA

Seventh Regular Toast
THE HONOURABLE ARTILLERY COMPANY

Eighth Regular Toast
THE PONTIFICAL SWISS GUARD

Ninth Regular Toast
**THE ANCIENT AND HONORABLE ARTILLERY COMPANY
OF MASSACHUSETTS**

JUNE DAY BANQUET MENU

Lobster Bisque with Chive Cream
Dinner Rolls and Butter

Mesclun Greens, with Toasted Pine Nuts
Tear-Drop Tomatoes and Balsamic Vinaigrette

12oz. Black Angus Sirloin
with Peppercorn Sauce

Fresh Vegetable Medley of
Snow Peas, Carrots and Red Pepper
Turned Potatoes

Hazelnut Truffle Ice Cream Bon Bon
with Chocolate and Caramel Sauces

Coffee Service

OFFICERS FOR 2005-2006

Commissioned Officers



First Lieutenant
John E. Bradley



Captain Commanding
Paul E. Morrill



Second Lieutenant
Michael W. Downing

OFFICERS FOR 2006-2007

Commissioned Officers



First Lieutenant
Jerome V. Sweeney



Captain Commanding
Daniel G. May



Second Lieutenant
LT John Moynihan

APPOINTED COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

CHIEF OF STAFF
ADJUTANT

CPT ROBERT D. MURPHY, PC
COL THOMAS E. RICHTER

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M. JOSEPH DeMATTEO, PC
COL THOMAS E. RICHTER

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PAYMASTER
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ELECTED NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

SERGEANTS OF INFANTRY

SERGEANTS OF ARTILLERY

1st SGT Nicholas A. Rioux
2nd SGT Peter L. Lou
3rd SGT Michael C. Cullen
4th SSG Nicholas Schiarizzi
5th SGT Donald Schiarizzi
6th CPT Kenneth P. Wisniewski

1st MSG Brian Ward
2nd SGT Donald J. O'Sullivan
3rd SGT Winston Watson
4th SGT Eric C. Sigillo
5th SGT Paul McMurtry
6th SGT Joseph McNamee

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SERGEANTS OF INFANTRY

SERGEANTS OF ARTILLERY

1st SGT John S. Mitchell
2nd SGT Paul D. McDonough
3rd SGT Gregg A. Catsoulis
4th SGT Scott Dow
5th CDR Francis S. Pierce
6th MSG Augustus J. Grace

1st SGT Ryan C. Noterman
2nd SGT Roy A. Duddy
3rd CPL Walter J. Walsh, Jr.
4th LT Ronald Racicot
5th SGT Matthew F. Erskine
6th VACANT



Colonel Elmar Th. Maeder
*Commander of the
Pontifical Swiss Guard at the Vatican*

Colonel Maeder has served since 2002 as the 33rd Commander of the Pontifical Swiss Guard at the Vatican. He was raised in Zuzwil, Switzerland, studied at the Canton School in Gallen, and afterwards took his Degree in Law at the University of Freiburg. He served as Extraordinary Clerk of the Court in Wil, Switzerland. Having served as an Officer in the Swiss Army, he was appointed in 1998 by Pope John Paul II as the Vice Commander of the Pontifical Swiss Guard, being appointed by Pope John Paul II as the Commander in 2002. He is married to Theresia Maeder-Bloechli. They are the parents of the three children. On May 6, 2006, Colonel Maeder presided over the 500th Anniversary Jubilee festivities of the Swiss Guard, which was founded in 1506. His honors include being a Count of the Order of Gregory the Great, recipient of the Medal of the Order of Pope Sylvester, and being a Knight with Silver Star of the Sacred Military Order of St. George.



Dott. Comm. Colonnello
ELMAR Th. MAEDER
Comandante



HONOR ROLL OF PAST COMMANDERS

262nd	CPT Edward J. Keelan	1971-72	London
265th	BGEN Robert L. Marr	1974-75	Moscow/Copenhagen/Dublin
268th	CPT Robert D. Murphy	1977-78	India/Yugoslavia
269th	MG James A. Lynch, Jr.	1978-79	London/Brussels
271st	CPT J. Barry Driscoll	1980-81	Ottawa/Vancouver
275th	BG Joseph S. Loughman	1983-84	Korea/Hong Kong
276th	COL Sylvester A. Ray	1984-85	Rio de Janeiro/Brazil
277th	BG Joseph S. Loughman	1985-86	Hamburg/Copenhagen
278th	BG William P. Koughan	1986-87	Helsinki/Leningrad/Stockholm
280th	LTC M. Joseph DeMatteo	1988-89	Munich/Berlin
281st	BG Joseph A. Milano	1989-90	Washington DC/Tokyo/Bangkok
283rd	BG Reynold P. Graunas	1991-92	Budapest/Marbella
284th	COL Leonard J. Sacco	1992-93	South Africa/Rio de Janeiro
285th	COL Ernest C. Caggiano	1993-94	Portugal/Malta/Sicily
287th	CPT Roy S. Chase	1995-96	Panama/Santo Domingo
288th	CPT Paul J. Mahoney	1996-97	London/Paris/Ireland
289th	BG Richard A. Luccio	1997-98	Munich/Prague
290th	COL John A. Moore	1998-99	Ottawa/Banff/Vancouver
291st	BG Albert G. Fiorenza	1999-00	Helsinki/Tallinn
293rd	CPT Joseph C. Benoit	2001-02	Cayman/Honduras/Belize/Mexico
294th	COL Stuart P. Tauber	2002-03	Hungary/Slovakia/Austria
295th	CPT George M. Morrison	2003-04	Scotland/Iceland
296th	COL William J. O'Brien	2004-05	USA

